

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO. : 8,236,973 B2
APPLICATION NO. : 12/756916
DATED : August 7, 2012
INVENTOR(S) : Wei Liu et al.

Page 1 of 1

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In the Specification:

In column 35, lines 52-57, the words “The bulk feed liquid was removed from the column after adliquid was in the form of a mixture with water in the water wash product and a mixture with methanol in the portion of sorption by a N₂ purge followed by a water purge.” should read -- The bulk feed liquid was removed from the column after adsorption by a N₂ purge followed by a water purge. --.

In column 35, lines 64-66, the words “The recovered ionic methanol wash product not used for isolating the final HMF product.” should read -- The recovered ionic liquid was in the form of a mixture with water in the water wash product and a mixture with methanol in the portion of methanol wash product not used for isolating the final HMF product. --.

In the Claims:

In column 37, line 39, the words “molecules an” should read -- molecules, an --.

Signed and Sealed this
Fifth Day of March, 2013



Teresa Stanek Rea
Acting Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office